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DIPLOMACY CAN DO NO MORE

President Wilson is putting the submarine issue not only up to Germany but up to Congress, up to the whole country. It has got beyond the realm of diplomacy now and into the realm of national action.

What says Germany?

What says Congress? What says the nation? Shall the United States continue on terms of official friendship with the nation that places military necessity above international rights and international law? Shall the United States continue on terms of official friendship with the country that has indorsed the sinking of the Lusitania by its attitude on the Ancona shelling, the Persia destruction and numerous other submarine "incidents"; and which caps the climax by its attitude on the Sussex "incident"?

The president has used every diplomatic means and exhausted every diplomatic method to avoid a breach of relations. This government has steadily turned its face against war and toward peace, and has insisted on peace even when a large number of its papers and its people insisted on a course that would probably have meant a severance of diplomatic relations; and that between civilized nations is perilously close to actual war. This government has given Germany every opportunity consistent with honor and dignity to make its military policy conform to the accepted law of nations, but Germany will not do so.

A year ago, lacking twenty days, the Lusitania was sunk off the Irish coast, with the loss of more than 1100 lives. Since that fateful May 7 the submarine issue has not for one day been absent from the thoughts and hearts of Americans. It has not been absent from the anxious mind of the national government. Week after week, month after month, our government has striven to win from Germany assurances that the Lusitania outrage would be disavowed and would not be repeated. Assurances, indeed, have been won, but what have they been worth? Germany upon pressure agrees to safeguard noncombatants, agrees that her submarine commanders shall not attack

unarmed merchantmen without warning; but when the fact of such an attack comes, Berlin invariably finds some way of evading responsibility. This cannot endure forever. Not even the most pacific nation can brook such flouting and maintain its self-respect.

And, as the web of unshakable evidence is drawn tighter by events which prove that German military policy does not perform what German diplomatic policy pledges, then Berlin reveals her true mind. Von Bernstorff told it to Secretary Lansing yesterday—"Germany could under no circumstances quit her submarine warfare, as a retaliation for the British food blockade"—and then further assurances of endeavor to conduct the submarine warfare in "accordance with international law."

After a year of constant endeavor through diplomacy to protect American and neutral rights without raising the stern arm of force, the administration is confronted with the Sussex incident. What avails now German assurances that none of her war vessels were concerned in the blowing up of the British steamer? The evidence points to the contrary. And the United States can no longer hope for peaceful settlement through diplomatic channels.

In this tense situation, the president turns to Congress. The reason is plain. It lies in the Constitution of the United States, which says that the president "shall from time to time give to the Congress information on the state of the Union," and which also says that Congress (and Congress only) "shall have power to declare war."

In spite of the impatience of most Americans with the long series of note-exchanges, there has been very deep and real appreciation of the president's effort to preserve this country in peace. His constant endeavor to do this cannot be questioned whatever opponents may say as to the foreign policy of the present administration. The efforts have kept peace, but they have not brought material modification of Germany's intolerable submarine policy. What is Congress going to do about it?

Whatever Congress, the cabinet and the president decide to do, the country is with them.

CLEARING THE DECKS

Governor Pinkham's answer to the Lihue plantation proposal gives hope for solution of the vexed problem of Kauai railroad-home-lands-water rights.

True, the letter will probably bring a counter from the plantation company, and some months of discussion may ensue, but at least the governor's reply, short, vigorous and definite, represents a crystallization of the territorial government's position, and that is progress.

The Star-Bulletin has already said that it has no particular faith in the suggestion that the Kauai situation will work itself out by the passing of time and the tiring of the rival corporate interests involved. The homesteader under such conditions is dependent on the goodwill of the plantations for his prosperity, and even if we should credit Lihue and Col. Spald-

ing with benevolence of archangels, the territory should have some better safeguard for its wards than plantation goodwill.

The territorial government must take the bull by the horns—and a good deal of "bull" is evident in the Kauai discussion—and do some mighty wrestling of its own. The government must lay down its policy—to look after the homesteader, to conserve public lands, and get adequate return for their leasing, to hold in its control the valuable water rights.

Governor Pinkham is now at work upon this matter of water rights, which is a whole volume of tangles in itself. The territory's proposal is just taking shape. With the governor's stand that he is attempting to save to the territory valuable rights which might pass under plantation control without adequate value in return, there can be no quarrel. The detail of the governor's endeavor to get this adequate return will be watched with interest.

ACCIDENT BOARD COURTS PROBE OF LAW'S LEGALITY

That Attorney George A. Davis' attack on the industrial accident board, in which he alleges that the body is not a fair and impartial one, is merely an attempt to test the legality of the Workmen's Compensation Act, is the opinion of A. J. Campbell, chairman of the board.

In briefs filed yesterday in two damage suits, Attorney Davis alleged, among other things, that the act is "unconstitutional, invalid and inoperative," and that F. E. Steere, a member of the board, is "disqualified, biased, prejudiced and wholly unfit to serve on it."

Mr. Steere today declined to make any statement regarding Attorney Davis' allegations.

"The object of these suits seems to be to test the legality of the compensation act," Mr. Campbell said. "I don't believe there is any need of a statement regarding what seems to me to be a personal attack on Mr. Steere. Personally, I think it might be a good thing to have the act tested out. I do not think that the board would have any objection to having any parts of the law tested."

Mr. Campbell added that, so far as he has observed, every member of the board has acted most impartially in an effort to get all the facts in cases presented.

LITTLE INTERVIEWS

—JOHN F. G. STOKES: Anything to get action. If arbitration of the Punaluu road scrap will get it, I am for it. Discussion of the matter has been going on for more than a year now, and I am tired of it.

—JAMES L. COKE: E. Y. Webb, chairman of the judicial committee, is giving the congressional pension bill for Judge Doe his personal attention, he wrote me the other day. He wrote that in his opinion it will go through without a hitch.

—GEORGE A. DAVIS: In my opinion there ought to be five judges on the supreme court bench, instead of three as now. There used to be five in the old days, and when cases of million of dollars' worth of property are involved, as they are here so often, I say we need that many again. Another thing we ought to have in the supreme court decisions is the substance of the contentions of the counsel on both sides. That's what you get in the states, and if it were insisted upon here we'd find that some of the local decisions would not be given so hastily.

Not the only one interested in the so-called fight against the board.

"Every honorable weapon will be used against them until a fair and impartial board is appointed," he says, "and until injured workmen are given representation on the board. They can't go ahead and twist the law and use it to suit themselves. And believe me, I'm not alone in this fight. That is all it is necessary to say about it. The board will have some one else besides me to deal with."

ASIA EARNS BIG MONEY FOR HER KOBE OWNERS

Only \$8000 a month is being earned by the tramp steamer Asia Maru for her owners, the Iwaka Company of Kobe. The Asia arrived about 8 o'clock this morning, docking at Pier 10, and her master, Capt. Y. Nishi, told the reporters the rate at which she has been chartered by her owners to a Chinese shipping firm is 16,000 yen a month, or \$8000 gold.

After taking on 100 tons of bunker coal from the Inter-Island and some fresh water, the freighter was due to leave at 2 o'clock this afternoon for San Francisco. She is taking 1600 tons of rice to San Francisco, 300 from Kobe and 1300 from Hongkong. She left Yokohama April 2. There are 49 Asiatics in the crew.

The China Mail Steamship Company's office in the Orient have been handling the steamer's business, and Hackfeld & Company took care of her business in this port today. The captain denied, however, that the China Mail has chartered the steamer.

A discussion of the liquor traffic occupied the greater part of the session of the Vermont Methodist Episcopal conference at Montpelier. Six four-masted schooners will be built by R. L. Beam of Camden, N. J., at a total cost of \$800,000. The ships will go to foreign owners.

SPECIAL PRAYERS FOR HOLY WEEK

Prepared by Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America.

The topic of the federal council of the Churches of Christ in America for united prayer throughout the land for Wednesday, April 19, is "Loyalty and Unity."

The prayer sent out by the council, in which everyone is asked to join, is: "That we may exalt our Lord as prophet, priest and king; that every effort to heal divisions and to bring all Christians into effective unity may be blessed; that we may esteem churches to be true which most largely reveal beneficence, unselfish-

ness and love. That immigrants of every name and tongue may have truer sympathy and brotherly kindness, and that racial enmities may be swallowed up in the love of God. That more and more Jews and Gentiles may believe in each other and work together for the good of the world. For education in schools, colleges and universities, and that the principles of justice and equity may be established between employers and employees."

"Psalms 122, Isa. 52:8, Matt. 22:37, John 17:20-23, Eph. 4:1-6."

HIS LAST WEEK

Events in the Life of Christ During Holy Week.

Palm Sunday—The Day of Triumph. Monday—The Day of Authority. Tuesday—The Day of Controversy. Wednesday—The Day of Retirement.

Thursday—The Day of Fellowship. Friday—The Day of Suffering. Saturday—The Day of Silence and Sorrow. Easter Sunday—The Day of Resurrection.

THE DAY OF RETIREMENT. Wednesday in the last week of Christ's life on earth before His crucifixion is known as "His Day of Retirement," for there is no record of any events having transpired that day. It is natural to believe that after so strenuous a day as was the

Tuesday preceding this day, as outlined in yesterday's article under this heading, the "Man of Sorrows" felt impelled to deny himself to the clamoring populace and to spend the day in meditation and rest, very likely with His friends, Mary and Martha, in the home of the lowly Lazarus at Bethany. It is natural also to believe that in the quiet and calm of this retirement He was laying up that store of reserve strength that enabled Him to meet the cruel experiences of the coming Friday, which has since been known throughout the Christian world as "Good Friday," with the wonderful fortitude that was the marvel not only of the rabble He sought so zealously to uplift, but of His nearest and dearest disciples as well.

Personal Mention

R. H. WERRALL, the accountant, has returned from Kauai after an absence of six months.

DR. J. H. RAYMOND of Maui is going to the mainland to stay until after July 1, on the Matsonia of May 3.

A. M. BROWN, city attorney, who is recovering from an operation for appendicitis on Maui, is expected to return to his office May 1.

TOM BECK, an employee of Lucas' Planing Mill, was operated upon at the Queen's hospital for appendicitis. He is reported to be doing nicely.

E. N. DEYO, secretary of the Hilo Board of Trade, has resigned owing to the press of private business. J. W. Bains, formerly of the Hilo Tribune, may be his successor.

K. TAKAMINE, graduate of Cambridge University and son of Dr. Takamine, the well-known New York pharmacist, will arrive in Honolulu on April 28 on his way to Japan. He will be accompanied by Mrs. Takamine, who is the daughter of an English barrister.

JOSEPH H. GRAY, well-known newspaperman of Arizona, has arrived in Honolulu to take the city editorship of the Star-Bulletin. Mr. Gray has been editor of several Arizona papers, leaving the editorship of the Bisbee Review to take the secretaryship of the Bisbee Commercial Club, from which position he comes to the Star-Bulletin. It is not his first trip to Hawaii, as he was here a number of years ago and at that time was much attracted by Honolulu.

BIG GAME FISHERMAN BOOSTED FOR HAWAII ON RETURN TO OAST

J. W. Jumps' enthusiasm for winter fishing in Hawaii continued undimmed after that tourist finished his big catches here and returned to the mainland. The San Francisco Examiner says that he declared Hawaii the best winter fishing grounds in the United States and its possessions.

"I have fished in all parts of the country," he said, "but I must admit that Hawaii has got them all beat. I went down to the islands to spend three weeks, and was so taken with the climate, fish and the all-around good fellows that I decided to stay three months instead. I won the G. P. Cook silver cup for 30-pound game fish with light tackle. Hawaii has, I guess, about 25 species of game fish."

Shut down since June 30, 1913, the Besenhardt department of the Bethlehem Steel Co., at South Bethlehem, Pa., will resume operations. Theodore Roosevelt has asked the secretary of state of Montana not to permit the use of his name on any ticket in the Montana primaries.

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VITAL STATISTICS

BORN.

LIMA—In Honolulu, April 17, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lima of Ala Moana road, a daughter.

TAMURA—In Honolulu, March 26, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Tsunetaro Tamura of Nuuanu street, a son, Tadao.

NISHIOKA—In Honolulu, March 23, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Tsunetaro Nishiooka of 534 South Beretania street, a son, Fujio.

MASAKI—In Honolulu, February 10, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Yagoro Masaki of Aala street, a daughter, Ishiyo.

CHUN—In Honolulu, January 26, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. Chun Yung Kit of Manoa road, near Oahu avenue, Manoa valley, a son, Leong Wah.

MARRIED.

NAONE-ATAPU—In Honolulu, April 18, 1916, George Naone and Miss Mary Atapu, Rev. Samuel K. Kamakapili, assistant pastor of the Kaunakakai church, Palama, officiating. Witnesses, Mrs. S. K. Kamakapili and Mrs. George Naone.

BALENTINE-SAUNDERS—In Schofield Barracks, Lihue, Oahu, April 5, 1916, Hugh Balentine and Katherine Saunders, Rev. Oscar J. W. Scott, chaplain of the 25th Infantry, U. S. A., officiating. Witnesses, William Ormstead and Chester F. Dent.

MAPLE-CARR—In Alhambra, Calif., March 22, 1916, Ray Cowser Maple of Glasford, Ill., and Miss Mildred Douglas Carr, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Albert Carr of Alhambra.

MARRIAGES

Ray Maple and Miss Mildred Douglas Carr were married at Alhambra, California, March 22, according to cards which have been received in Honolulu. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Albert Carr. Mr. Maple is known to many Honoluluans, having visited here on two occasions as a member of the Stanford baseball team. The couple will be at home

SEATTLE BRINGS 10,000 BAGS OF RICE HERE

If there was any shortage of rice in Honolulu prior to today, the arrival of the O. S. K. steamer Seattle Maru this morning helped to relieve it, for the liner brought 10,420 bags of this necessary article of Oriental food, not to mention 3375 cases of shoyo, 2149 cases of canned goods and other things, weighing in all 1300 tons.

Docking about 8:30 this morning, the Osaka Shosen Kaisha liner, commanded by Capt. D. Fuchigami, who succeeded the old skipper, Capt. N. Yamao, brought two cabin passengers, Mr. and Mrs. K. Shibayama of Kona, Hawaii, and 67 steerage passengers to Honolulu.

First Officer S. Kametaka and Purser N. Ogawa reported a rough voyage from Yokohama, which was left April 5. Head winds most of the way, including a gale when 10 days out, blowing 4 or 5 in force on the Bufort scale, buffeted the ship, but no damage was done.

The Seattle's new master is former captain of the O. S. K. Bombay liner Java Maru, plying between Japan and Bombay. The old captain has taken command on the Buay line of the O. S. K. as well.

In Glasford, Ill., after June 1.

With David Cary Peters officiating, Roy H. Nelson and Mrs. Dell Kling were married at the Christian church at 7:30 o'clock last night, the witnesses being Mr. and Mrs. Daniel G. Weber. Mr. Nelson is associated with the business department of the Advertiser, and the bride has made her home in Honolulu during the last few years. Following a brief honeymoon, the couple will make their home in Honolulu.

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